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APPLICANTS: Antonio Cruz
SERIAL NUMBER: 10/535,745 EXAMINER : Christina Bradley
FILING DATE: November 17, 2005 ART UNIT : 1654
FOR: GASTRIN COMPOSITIONS AND FORMULATIONS, AND METHOD
OF USE AND PREPARATION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

The following papers are enclosed herewith for filing in the above-identified application:

1. Petition for Three-Month Extension of Time (1 page);
2. Check No. 23743 the amount of \$1020.00; and
3. Return Postcard.

Although the Applicants believe that no fees are due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be due to Deposit Account No. 50-0311 (Ref. No. 24492-013 NATL). If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned collect at (617) 542-6000, Boston, Massachusetts.

Respectfully submitted,

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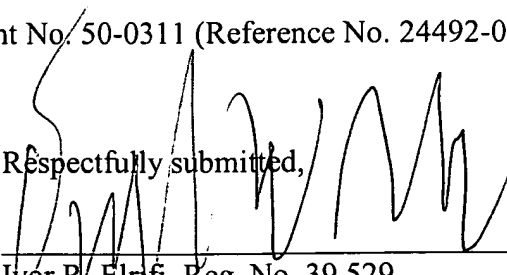
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed July 31, 2006 in the above-identified application. With the extension, the response is due on or before January 31, 2007. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$1020.00 to cover the cost of the extension due by Applicants under 37 CFR 1.17(a)(3).

A continuation application claiming the benefit under 35 U.S.C. §120 is being filed simultaneously.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311 (Reference No. 24492-013 NATL). A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

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